

Greetings AP Literature and Composition Scholars

I trust you are well! You are nearing the completion of this past year in High School. Congratulations on a job well done! You are now poised to step into the A.P. Literature & Composition course! We are excited about your prior effort this year and seek to set you off on a running start. In an effort to accomplish this goal, we have selected some intriguing novels for your summer reading. We hope that you will agree as you engage them.

Let's begin, shall we? Your *two* summer reading novels for this 2011/2012 school year are as follows:

- *Invisible Man* by Ralph Ellison
- **Scholar's Choice:** That's correct! You may choose either of the books from the attached Level 6/Incoming 11th graders reading list.

(Note: You will need to have copies of these books with you when school begins.)

As scholars moving into the A.P. Literature & Composition course, you are fully aware of what a strong quality summer reading product looks like. That is exactly what we expect to receive from you the first week in August. The following expectations below should be strictly adhered to. *As you read each novel:*

- Complete a closely adhered to *Major Works Data Worksheet* Packet for each book.
- Ensure you are familiar with the *Major Works Data Worksheet* Rubric.

We are looking forward to reading your summer reading assignments. These entries should be a reflection of your commitment to quality as well as your continued maturity as a scholar. Do not submit last minute work that is thrown together as there will be no mercy in grading such an effort.

Your *Major Works Data Worksheet* will be **due on Friday of the first week of school**. It will be weighted as an essay grade, which is quite heavy. If you have any questions about the books or summer reading assignment, please feel free to contact **Dr. Cynie Cory** at coryc@leonschools.net or **Mr. Ken Bishop** at bishopk@leonschools.net from the time of receipt of this letter through the end of May 2012. After that date, please contact **Mr. Patrick Wright** at wrightp@leonschools.net or 488-1783.

We look forward to seeing you in August for the start of our 2012/2013 partnership!

Let's make it a great one!!!

See reading list for *Scholar's Choice* on following page.

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Attention Rising Juniors and Class of 2014: Your second summer reading assignment must come from list of approved books below.

Rising 11th graders – Any work that deals with the American Dream

Examples are listed below. Your choices are not limited to this list. Please contact the person(s) indicated if you would like to get approval to read a book not listed below.

1. *BABBIT* BY SINCLAIR LEWIS
2. *NICKEL AND DIMED: ON (NOT) GETTING BY IN AMERICA* BY BARBARA EHRENREICH
3. *THE RIGHT STUFF* BY TOM WOLFE
4. *REVOLUTIONARY ROAD* BY RICHARD YATES
5. *THE GRAPES OF WRATH* BY JOHN STEINBECK
6. *ANY WORKS* BY HORATIO ALGER
7. *A RAISIN IN THE SUN* BY LORRAINE HANSBERRY
8. *DEATH OF A SALESMAN* BY ARTHUR MILLER
9. *THE GREAT GATSBY* BY F. SCOTT FITZGERALD
10. *THE AUDACITY OF HOPE: THOUGHTS ON RECLAIMING THE AMERICAN DREAM* BY BARACK OBAMA
11. *THE DAY OF THE LOCUST* BY NATHANIEL WEST
12. *THE HOUSE OF MIRTH* BY EDITH WHARTON
13. *THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN* BY MARK TWAIN